(ii) some more crops in addition to foodgrains, pulses and oilseeds, subject to the availability of the past yield data are proposed to be covered.

(iii) Acturial premium rates are proposed to be charged in respect of some farmers and crops.

Further details of the new scheme are yet to be finalized.

Flood relief to Andhra Pradesh

1251. DR. MOHAN BABU: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that an amount of Rs. 200 crore released by Government to Andhra Pradesh as flood relief is only advance plan assistance.

(b) if so, whether Government have received a request from the Andhra Pradesh Government to treat this amount as Central grant to the State; and

(c) if so, whether the request is under consideration of Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SOMPAL):

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. the request of the State Government is under consideration.

Supply of Adulterated Milk by DMS

1252. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the DMS have been supplying adulterated milk in some of the colonies of the capital;

(b) if so, the facts and details thereof;

(c) whether the quality of milk before distribution in varios areas are invariably checked;

(d) if so, the facts and details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken by Government of ensure supply fo quality milk by DMS?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SOMPAL): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise in view of (a) above.

(c) and (d) The milk is tested for all quality parameters including prescribed under Prevention of Food Adulteration Act, 1954. These tests are undertaken at the Delhi Milk Scheme Laboratory before despatch for distribution.

(e) To ensure the supply of quality milk, the following steps have been taken:

(i) DMS accepts only best quality milk free from all additives (adulterants and preservatives) from State Dairy Federations and Local Cooperative Societies.

(ii) Milk is processed under the modern processing conditions.

(iii) Milk is packed in food grade polythene pouches by automatic filling machines under hygienic conditions.

(iv) Milk is tested during the processing, filling and storage process at regular intervals of 40 minutes for maintenance of quality standards.

(v) Before despatch, random samples are again drawn from milk vans and checked for quality standards and then only milk is allowed for distribution.

Farmers Service Centres in Gujarat

1253. SHRI AHMED PATEL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have established Farmers Service Centres (FSCs) in various parts of Gujarat;

(b) if so, the district-wise details and objectives thereof;

(c) whether Government have assessed the performance of these FSCs in the State;